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FREDERICK COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION ADDENDUM TO ADVISORY OPINION 10-02

On November 29, 2010, the Ethics Commission issued Advisory Opinion 10-02 in response to a request for guidance from a Commissioner-Elect. On December 15, 2010, the Ethics Commission received a request from the now-Commissioner's attorneys seeking reconsideration of that Advisory Opinion. The Ethics Commission subsequently met with the Commissioner, his representatives and others on December 20, 2010. At that meeting, the Commissioner made the following representations:

- 1. The Commissioner accepts the guidance of the Ethics Commission as set forth in Advisory Opinion 10-02 as it pertains to County CIP projects and agrees that during his term as a County Commissioner his corporation will not bid on such projects.
- 2. The Commissioner will disqualify himself from any votes or participation in any matter as a County Commissioner which concerns any privately funded project on which the corporation is engaged.
- 3. The Commissioner will disqualify himself from voting on a specific budget item, the result of which would be to reduce funding for or reduce personnel in any County department that inspects work performed by the corporation; however, the Commissioner would not disqualify himself from voting on the budget as a whole.

After further discussion and consideration, the Ethics Commission has decided that if the Commissioner follows the conditions set forth above, with the following modification as to the third condition, he will be in compliance with the requirements of the Ethics Ordinance. As to the third condition, the Ethics Commission finds that the Commissioner should also disqualify himself from voting on a specific budget item, the

January 10, 2011	/s/
Date	Andrew T. Jones, Chairman
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	Karl W. Bickel, Member
	/s/
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	/s/
	E. Donald Foster, Alternate Member

result of which would be to *increase* funding for or *increase* personnel in any County

department that inspects work performed by the Commissioner's corporation.